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LB 922

PRESIDENT: It is adopted. What next do you have?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have two other amendments pending, however, a priority motion and it is Senator Kelly asks to bracket the bill until next Wednesday, April 12, and at the same time have a white copy printed with all of the amendments attached thereto.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, we've been for an hour and a half, to about, two and a half hours really, amending this bill on the floor of the Legislature, a Committee of forty nine with amendments to amendments to amendments with near votes, strong votes, compromising, talking back and forth and sincerely the members of the Legislature, Mr. President, do not know what is contained in the amendment to LB 922 at this time. I believe that it is a sincere honest effort for knowledge on the part of the members that we print a white copy as the bill would appear so that we can understand whether we have serious flaws or whether we have good legislation.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would object to Senator Kelly's holding this bill. I think that we will have it, due to the twelve days left in legislative session, we don't have a lot of time and I think most of the members of the Legislature understand the bill. We will have copies printed prior to Final Reading. If there are objections they can be taken up in motions to return it and I certainly think we should advance it now.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, I agree with Senator Cullan. As I understand there are only a couple or three more amendments and if we could go ahead and finish this bill which is a very important one and then have it printed up, I think it would be better than to have it printed up now and then add a couple amendments after that.

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: I call the question.

PRESIDENT: Are there five seconds? There are. The question is shall debate cease. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate ceases. Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, we're so used to having a bracket motion be a stall, be a holding up of the bill, that we use it just as a Freudian slip. A bracket motion holds up the bill. One of the purposes of a bracket motion is to do away with ignorance, not to hold up bills. I restate to this body that we do not know individually nor collectively what is in LB 922 that we're going to advance by this Legislature, for what? For the saving of a little bit of time of which we have wasted ton after ton after ton

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